

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, and Navy. **Pages S6980–81**

Messages from the House: **Page S6974**

Measures Referred: **Page S6974**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S6977–79**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S6979**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—271) **Page S6966**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 4:30 p.m. and adjourned at 7:28 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday,

September 29, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6980.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

MIGRATION CRISIS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND EUROPE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on the migration crisis in the Middle East and Europe from Simon Henshaw, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Population, Migration, and Refugees; Barbara Strack, Chief of Refugee Affairs, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security; and Maria Cancian, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Policy, Administration for Children and Families.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3620–3634; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 445–446 were introduced. **Page H6306**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6307–08**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2061, to amend section 5000A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–268); and

H. Res. 444, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3495) to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to allow for greater State flexibility with respect to excluding providers who are involved in abortions, and waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 114–269). **Page H6306**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Denham to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6263**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:08 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H6264**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:07 p.m. and reconvened at 3 p.m. **Page H6265**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Protecting Affordable Coverage for Employees Act: H.R. 1624, amended, to amend title I of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to revise the definition of small employer; **Pages H6265–67**

Gold Star Fathers Act of 2015: S. 136, to amend chapter 21 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that fathers of certain permanently disabled or deceased veterans shall be included with mothers of such veterans as preference eligibles for treatment in the civil service; **Pages H6267–68**

Wounded Warriors Federal Leave Act of 2015: H.R. 313, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide leave to any new Federal employee who is a veteran with a service-connected disability rated at 30 percent or more for purposes of undergoing medical treatment for such disability; **Pages H6268–69**

Federal Vehicle Repair Cost Savings Act of 2015: S. 565, to reduce the operation and maintenance costs associated with the Federal fleet by encouraging the use of remanufactured parts; **Pages H6269–71**

GONE Act: H.R. 3089, amended, to close out expired grants; **Pages H6271–72**

Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2015: H.R. 3614, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund;

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EACH Act: H.R. 2061, amended, to amend section 5000A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate;

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Ensuring Access to Clinical Trials Act of 2015: S. 139, to permanently allow an exclusion under the Supplemental Security Income program and the Medicaid program for compensation provided to individuals who participate in clinical trials for rare diseases or conditions;

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Higher Education Extension Act of 2015: H.R. 3594, to extend temporarily the Federal Perkins Loan program;

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Amending the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 to postpone a scheduled increase in the minimum wage applicable to American Samoa: H.R. 2617, amended, to amend the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 to postpone a scheduled increase in the minimum wage applicable to American Samoa;

Pages H6281–84

Cross-Border Rail Security Act of 2015S: H.R. 2786, to require the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to submit a report on cross-border rail security, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 412 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 520;

Pages H6284–85, H6291

Border Jobs for Veterans Act of 2015: H.R. 2835, amended, to actively recruit members of the Armed Forces who are separating from military service to serve as Customs and Border Protection Officers, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 410 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 519; and

Pages H6285–87, H6290–91

Mandatory Price Reporting Act of 2015: Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2051, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to extend the livestock mandatory price reporting requirements.

Pages H6287–90

Recess: The House recessed at 5:28 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H6265.

Senate Referral: S. 2082 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6290–91, and H6291. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Committee Meetings

WOMEN'S PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3495, the “Women’s Public Health and Safety Act”. The committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a closed rule for H.R. 3495. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or their respective designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Additionally, the rule waives clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against any resolution reported from the Rules Committee through the legislative day of October 1, 2015. Testimony was heard from Representatives Blackburn and Schakowsky.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the Transportation Security Administration’s efforts to address inspector general findings, 11:15 a.m., SD–138.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine United States Cybersecurity policy and threats; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC–217, following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Adewale Adeyemo, of California, and Amias Moore Gerety, of Connecticut, both to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and Jay Neal Lerner, of Illinois, to be Inspector